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Even the opponent agrees we have to start *now* to improve our state's crumbling transportation system, build new roads and relieve traffic congestion. That's exactly what Proposition 1B will do.

YES ON 1B will finally make our transportation system a priority, and provide funds we need to begin addressing the backlog of projects throughout the state to reduce congestion, improve air quality, expand mass transit, make road safety improvements, and repair local streets and roads. The longer we neglect our transportation system, the more costly and serious the problems become.

We can't afford to wait any longer.

## PROPOSITION 1B IS FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE

- 1B contains strict fiscal safeguards to protect taxpayers, like annual audits and public reports to show how and where funds are spent.
- By issuing bonds, Prop. 1B will provide immediate funding to jump-start transportation projects and allow us to pay for them over the next 20 years, with existing state revenues and without raising taxes.
- Just like a mortgage on a home, Prop. 1B allows us to improve our transportation system now, and pay for it as we use it over the long-term.
- That's why THE CALIFORNIA TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS
  1B.

SUBJECT TO COURT ORDERED CHANGES

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Yes on 1B is part of the Rebuild California Plan. Our economic future and our quality of life depend on a reliable transportation system that moves goods and people efficiently.

We've got to start now.

YES on 1B. Build new roads and highways, invest in traffic safety, relieve congestion, and improve mass transit.

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